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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: **A SUPPORT ELEMENT FOR AN INTEGRATED MODULE FOR BLOOD TREATMENT, AN INTEGRATED MODULE FOR BLOOD TREATMENT, AND A MANUFACTURING PROCESS FOR AN INTEGRATED MODULE FOR BLOOD TREATMENT**

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application - 22 pages, including 2 independent claims and 208 claims total.
2. Drawings - 9 sheets of drawings containing 10 figures.
3. Preliminary Amendment.
4. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
5. Certified copy of Italian Patent Application No. MI2003 A 000214, filed on February 7, 2003.
6. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$770	\$ 770.00
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	208	-	20	188	x \$18	\$ 3384.00
Independent Claims	2	-	3	0	x \$86	\$
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7. A check for \$4444.00 is enclosed. The fee includes:

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\$290.00 for multiple dependent claim fee.

Applicants claim the right to priority based on Italian Patent Application No. MI2003 A 000214, filed on February 7, 2003, and the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/470,451, filed May 15, 2003.

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Please accord this application an application number and filing date.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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